

New York State Statewide Licensed Home Care Services Agencies (LHCSAs) Staff COVID-19 Vaccinations

OVERVIEW

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General Description:

SARS-CoV2, a novel coronavirus, was first identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China in 2019. There are many coronaviruses, all of which typically cause respiratory disease in humans. The World Health Organization (WHO) named the disease caused by SARS-CoV2 "COVID-19." In March 2020, WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic due to the number of countries affected by its rapid spread.

The primary goal of publishing this dataset is to provide users with timely information about staffing levels in Licensed Home Care Services Agencies and the impact that the NYS vaccination mandate, effective October 7, 2021 for covered home care workers, has had on staffing. LHCSAs offer home care services to people who pay out of pocket (with their own funds) or have private insurance coverage.

The information in this dataset is updated weekly.

Data Methodology:

The data source for this dataset is the daily COVID-19 survey through the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Health Electronic Response Data System (HERDS). LHCSAs are required to complete this survey weekly. The information from the survey is used for statewide surveillance, planning, resource allocation, and emergency response activities.

The dataset includes LHCSA information at the reporting agency level of the total number of all staff and of direct care staff that are partially and fully vaccinated.

Limitations of Use:

Not all LHCSAs submitted for each reporting period. HERDS data is reported for each license number and reflects data from all counties approved for that specific license. LHCSAs affiliated with Assisted Living Programs (ALPs) report data on the Adult Care Facility HERDS survey unless the LHCSA serves patients outside of the facility. The information in this dataset reflects the most up-to-date facility-reported information available to NYSDOH after limited verification with facilities. All information reported is preliminary and subject to change. This is self-reported data and is subject to updates, however this express reporting provides the benefit of current and timely situational awareness. Any updates are incorporated in the original data and the daily updates to Health Data NY will reflect any corrections or adjustments. As a result, you may see minor deviations in historical trends between report dates.

